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News

ET3AA Ethiopia –update

President Ward Silver of the YASME Foundation released this great information in a press release about a week ago.

Here is what happened a day or two before Ken, K4ZW and I left Ethiopia: We had not disclosed details of this plan previously, but near the end of our trip, two government regulation officials from the National Communications Authority (NCA) in South Sudan flew to Addis to meet with Ken, myself, and members of the Ethiopian Amateur Radio Association, courtesy of the YASME foundation! Full story <https://www.dx-world.net/et3aa-ethiopia/>

Below are Bob W9XY, ET3AA op Negatu, Ken K4ZW, ET3AA op Joe. Front: Jose and John, South Sudan officials.



W8S Swains Island –update

The W8S team would like to offer you the opportunity to join a presentation where they will explain their planning and setup of the upcoming Swains 2023 DXpedition. There will also be time for Q&A with the team members.

How: via Zoom.

When: 14 July 2023.

Time: 18:00 UTC.

Duration: approx. 1 hour.

If you want to attend this presentation, please send a confirmation to w8s@dx.to. Please also include your call sign. After we have received your confirmation, you will receive a mail with the link to join the presentation.

T2C Tuvalu 2023 –update

Our return to the Pacific is scheduled for the fall of 2023. With the help of Jared N7SMI and John KK7L, important details for Tuvalu – T2C could be clarified. It is really difficult to find perfect antenna opportunities on Funafuti island.

As of July 2023, we have all permits in hand. Accommodation as well as flights for our planned destination in October 2023 are booked and confirmed. This means we are ready to announce a new serious and lightweight expedition to Tuvalu. <https://www.dx-world.net/t2c-tuvalu/>



MM0UKI Isle of Rockall EU-189 –update

Within the next 7-10 days, Emil DL8JJ, Nobby G0VJG and Cam Cameron will be returning to Rockall to collect all equipment that was left behind during the team leaders' evacuation from the rock at the end of June. Ham radio activity is not the primary focus of this return trip, but if time and weather/seas permit a QRV might be possible for a few hours. Meanwhile, video teaser of their expedition is now available. <https://rockalldoc.com/>

WRTC 2026 UK

WRTC is an international event held every four years that brings together teams of Amateur Radio contesters to compete against each other on a level playing field. The 2022 event was held in Italy last weekend (a year later than scheduled due to COVID) and previous events have taken place in Germany, Brazil, Finland, Russia, Slovenia and USA (three times). <https://www.dx-world.net/wrtc-2026-uk/>

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This week on air

This can change daily, please visit <https://www.dx-world.net/> for updates.

3D2, FIJI If you follow BJ's adventures he's currently in Fiji. BJ generally operates on HF bands; CW, SSB & FT8. QSL via H/c. Full QRV details here

4W, TIMOR LESTE Vasily R7AL and Mike RU3UR are QRV from Lahuta beach close to Dilli. (Same QTH as 4W1A). They will be staying there for approximately the next 3 days. Activity on various bands and modes. QSL via R7AL, Club Log OQRS, LoTW.

6Y, JAMAICA Pavel, CO7WT is operating as call/6Y until begin August. Pavel is on a business trip but is QRV during his spare time from 40 to 6 meter using SSB, FT4/8. QSL via IK2DUW, direct or bureau, LoTW.

8Q, MALDIVES Bert, CX3AN is QRV as 8Q7HU until July 18 from Dhaalu Atoll. Activity from 40 to 6 meter. QSL via EB7DX.

9J, ZAMBIA Eddy, OE3SEU, is now back in Zambia with his camping van and operates as 9J2SEU/p, mostly via QO-100. Confirmations via LoTW.

9Q, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO Seven operators (I1FQH, I1HJT, I2PJA, I2YSB, IK2CKR, IK2HKT and IV3ZXQ) are active as 9Q1AA (SSB, CW and RTTY) and 9Q1ZZ (FT8 F/H) with at least four stations on 80-6 meter using CW, SSB, FT8, 160m CW and FT8, 20 metres RTTY. They will also be active via the QO-100 satellite until July 18. <http://www.i2ysb.com/idx/>

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA Take, JG8NQJ/JD1 will once again be operating starting around July 20. Operation mainly on CW with some FT8.

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA Three operators from the North America branch of the venerable Russian Robinson Club (RRC), Yuri N3QQ and James KB2FMH are on a mountaintop inside the American Samoa National Park until July 18. This time it will be both an IOTA and POTA activity besides the DX entity many seek. Many have activated it as an IOTA entity but this will be the first ever POTA activity on the island.

PJ5, ST EUSTATIUS Look for PJ5/PA4O and PJ5/PE6Q until July 18. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. An entry in the IARU HF Championship is included as PJ5C. QSL via Club Log OQRS.

PJ7, ST MAARTEN Ben, PE5B is operating as PJ7/call until July 14. Operation on HF using SSB and RTTY. QSL via LoTW.

TR, GABON Roland, F8EN is once again active as TR8CR until July 31. Operation on HF using CW. QSL via F6AJA.

Back in time...Kermadec Island 1998

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Raoul Island (OC039) Kermadec Islands Group

Confirming QSO with VK3AJJ

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05/07/98	0752	10-1	CW	599
05/07/98	0202	18-1	SSB	59
11/07/98	0005	24-9	SSB	59

IC-706Mk2 - Hombrew Amp
160M ... Inverted-L
80/40 ... Vertical
30-10 ... Lazy-H 24mH

73 Bob
<http://www.qsl.net/zl8rs/>

Coming up soon

C2, NAURU Phil, FK1TS updates he will be back on Nauru around July 22. 'I'll be starting a new job, radio will be secondary, and I also don't know where I will be staying yet. But I'd hope to be on the air by the start of August 2023 in my spare time and weekends. Antenna wise, lets wait

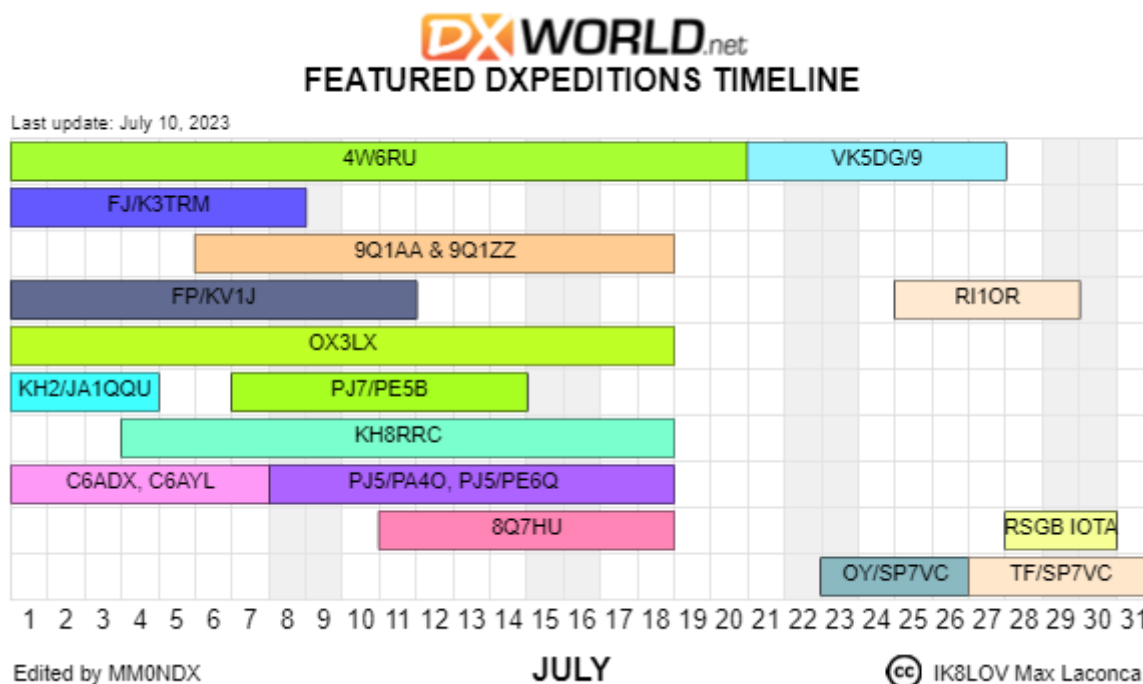
and see.'

OY, FAROE TF, ICELAND

Mek SP7VC and Kasia SQ7OYL will be operating as OY/SP7VC during July 23-26 and as TF/SP7VC during July 27 and August 17. They are travelling by motorhome so are able to take all their needed amateur radio equipment. They're planning to be active on 14 MHz bands and in the VHF segment on 50, 70 and 144MHz bands with amplifiers.

VK9N, NORFOLK ISL David, VK5DG will be QRV as call/9 during July 21-27. Operation using satellites only with a focus on Greencube IO-117, LEOs AO-91, Tevel series, PO-101, RS-44 and AO-7. Full details here <https://www.qrz.com/db/VK5DG/9>

DXCC Timeline



IOTA

This week on air

EUROPE

EU-028 Elba Domenico IK1MNF is active as call/IA5 until end September. Operation from 20 to 6 meter. The equipment consists of verticals and a FinnFet-PA. QSL via home call.

EU-064 Ile Noirmoutier Look for DL1KVN as F/call/P between July 15 and July 28. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 meter using CW and SSB during his spare time. A one day trolley trip is included to Ile d'yeu EU-064.

EU-189 Isle of Rockall MM0UKI is going to be QRV again from Rockall, EU-189 on Thursday, July 20th. Nobby, G0VJG and the SV Taeping team will be returning to the island to collect (by then) world record occupation holder Cam Cameron after his 60 days [fundraising expedition](#) comes to an end. Mainly the return visit is to get Cam off the islet safely along with all the equipment, however Nobby plans approx 4-6 hours activity on 40 & 20m SSB only.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-067 Ocracoke Isl Jon, WB8YJF will be active between July 22 and August 4. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. An entry in the IOTA contest is included. QSL via home call.

NA-134 Meteorit Isl

NA-134 Herbert Isl

Bo, OZ1DJJ is active as OX3LX from Qaanaaq until July 16. Focus on 6 and 4 meter on HF. A side trip to these islands might be possible.

NA-176 Petite-Ile-au-Marteau Team VB2M will be operating between July 22 and July 30, with an entry in the IOTA contest. Operation nonstop from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8.

QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW.

OCEANIA

OC-042 Luzon Isl Ragn LB3RE is active as DU1/call until July 18. Operation from 40 to 6 meter. QSL via home call, Club Log and LoTW.

OC-067 Huahine Isl Didier, F6BCW is operating as FO/call from Huahine Island OC-067. Activity until October from 160 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call and LoTW.

Coming up soon

ASIA

AS-067 Uji Isl Kenji, JA4GXS will be operating on July 22. QRV on 40, 30, 20 and 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

AS-079 Miyako Isl Take, JS6RRR (also JI3DST/6, JJ5RBH/6 & JR8YLY/6) will be active during July 20 and August 2. QRV from 80 to 6 meter using SSB, CW, FT8 using various calls mentioned on different modes. QSL via QRZ.com info.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

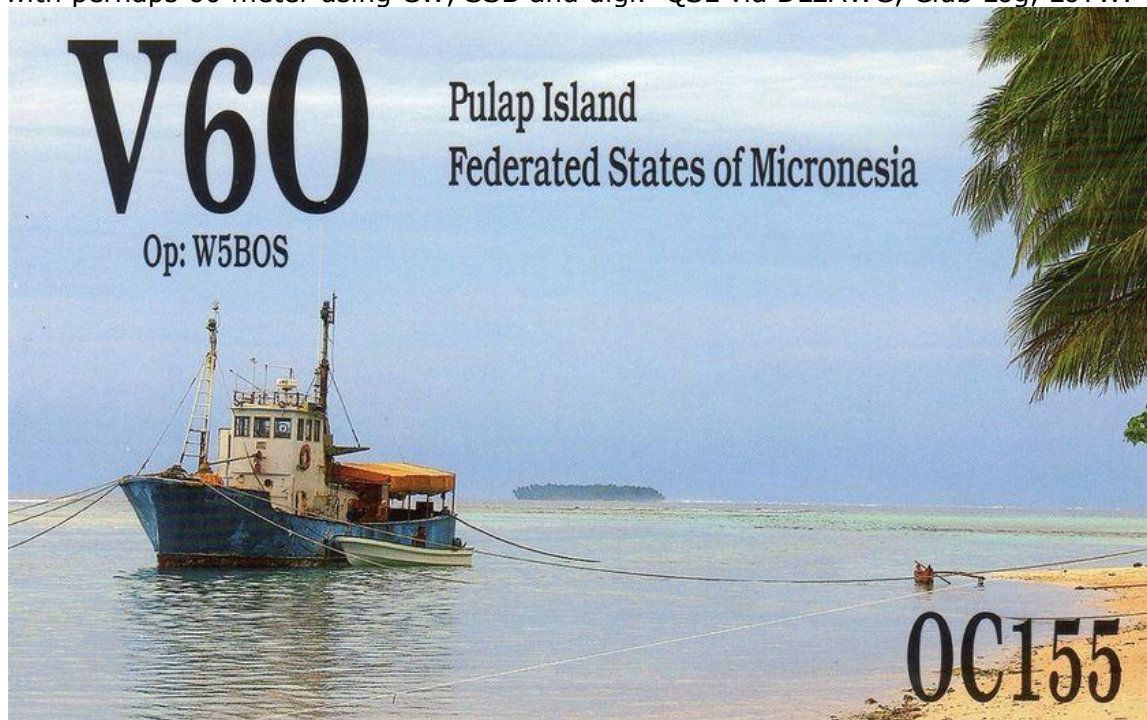
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D4, CAPE VERDE Harald, DF2WO will again be active from Praia, Santiago Island as D44TWO during September 2-17. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT8 & QO-100 SAT.

J3, GRENADA A team of Belgian low band DXers with Ghis ON5NT, Marc ON4MA and Karel ON5TN will be QRV during Marc 4-16, 2024. Operation from 160 to 10 meter. More to follow.

V3, BELIZE Mark DK8MM and Uwe DL8UD will be active from Maya Hill as V31XT and V31KO between September 6 and September 14. An entry in the WAE SSB contest is included as V3O. QSL for V31XT via DL8MM, direct or bureau. QSL for V3O via DL8UD, direct or bureau.

V6, MICRONESIA A team with DL2AWG, DK2AMM, DL2AMD and DF4GV will be active from Chuuk Isl OC-011 as V6EU between November 15 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter with perhaps 60 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL2AWG, Club Log, LoTW.



THE REMINDERS

Pacific Tour by Uli DL2AH

KH0, MARIANA ISL Rota Island August 31-September 14 as KH0/call

KH2, GUAM September 16-30 as KH2/call

V7, MARSHALL ISL October 3-15 (call pending)

V6, MICRONESIA October 18-30 as V63AH

Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8.


3D2, FIJI and ROTUMA by BJ WA7WJR: 'BJ reports there is another weather system moving through Rotuma and Fiji this week with winds in excess of 35 knots. It looks like the next weather window for him to sail from Rotuma to Viti Levu will be July 17th or 18th. The passage will take 4-6 days. So, it looks like he'll be on island for another week. Meanwhile, he is looking at visiting the Mamanuca Group (IOTA OC-121) possibly sometime in July/August.'

4W, TIMOR LESTE A large team of operators will be operating as 4W8X in November 2023. Operation 24/7 on all bands using CW, SSB and digi. Also EME 144Mhz, 432Mhz and 1296 Mhz. An entry in the CQWW DX CW contest is included.

5W, SAMOA Livio 9A7Y, Mladen 9A2NA, Borut S50B and Rolando 9A3MR will be active as 5W0LM between October 1 and October 14. Operation from 1.8 to 50 Mhz using CW, SSB and FT8. QTH is Malololelei near Apia. QSL via 9A3MR.

5X, UGANDA Thomas, DL7BO will be active as 5X7O from Kampala. Dates not yet known. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DJ6TF. More to follow.


8Q, MALDIVES Vincent, HB9VCJ will be active from the Cocoon Maldives Resort, Ookolhufinolhu, Lhaviyani Atoll, Maldives as 8Q7VJ. Dates not yet known, but the license (issued by Communications Authority of Maldives) stipulates the period May 20 to August 8. More to follow.




Belize
V30
... another DXpedition of the BCC

V30

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 **Belize**
QTH: Blackman Eddy Village/Cayo
Maya Hill Lodge Belize
<https://mayahill.bz>
Locator: EK57NF
CQ zone: 07
WAZ zone: 11

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8R, GUYANA "Four young ambitious DXers ranging in age from 20 to 25 years old" (namely Sven DJ4MX, Philipp DK6SP, Tomi HA8RT and Jamie M0SDV) will be active from Guyana during February 14-24, 2024 (callsign TBA). Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS and LoTW. The Northern California DX Foundation will provide \$5,000 in financial support for the expedition, as they "want to encourage the next generation of DXpeditioners". NCDXF wants also "to let any planned DXpedition know that, if they request funding from NCDXF and we provide a grant, we will also underwrite the costs of a younger (ages 20-35) person/s on the trip". <https://8r-2024.com/>

9Q, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO Vlad, OK2WX will be active as 9Q2WX between August 20 and September 9. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via IZ8CCW. <https://www.mdxc.support/9q3wx/>

9U, BURUNDI Antonello, IK2DUW confirms there is a DXpedition in preparation, sponsorship is sought. More to follow.

C2, NAURU Look again for C21TS sometime in July 2023. Plans are on track for a longer and

better equipped operation. More news expected soon.

CE0Z, JUAN FERNANDEZ A team with Nick XQ1KZ, Pablo CE1KV, Willy XQ3SA, Willy XQ3SK, Mike AB5EB, Ez HI3R, Otis NP4G, Zoli HA1AG, Trey N5KO and Marco CE1EW (Team Leader) will be operating as CB0ZA during February 13-20, 2024. Plans are to be QRV from the Juan Fernandez National Park CA-0022 from 160 to 2 meter using CW, SSB, digi and EME (6 and 2 meter). QSL via HA1AG. <http://cb0za.com/>

CY9, ST PAUL ISL The CY0S team, along with members of the previous CY9C DXpeditions, is pleased to announce their plans to go back to St Paul Island CY9, in July/August 2024. Access to St Paul Island is only available in the two months of July and August. The larger, main island (Atlantic Cove site) is controlled by the Canadian Wildlife Service and is off-limits. DXpeditions can only be set up on the much smaller "Northeast" Island (Rock!). The CY9C team will once again have a helicopter available to access the Northeast Island as there is no dock or landing area for a boat. Much more information, including a website, will be available later this year and into 2024.

E6, NIUE Michael, DF8AN will be operating as E6AJ between November 3 and November 10. Operation on HF using CW and digi in 'holiday-style'. QSL via home call.

E6, NIUE Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as E6AM between October 10 and October 27. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logsuploaded during the Dxpediton to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.

FO0, AUSTRAL ISL Haru, JA1XGI will be operating as TX5G in April 2024. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW and digi. QSL via LoTW. <https://australvacation.amebaownd.com/>

FO0, CLIPPERTON ISL The Perseverance DX Group is planning a major DXpedition to Clipperton Island during January 18 and February 2, 2024. Plan is to be QRV as TX5S between 160 and 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. It has been 11 years since the last activation. Team members include: Jacky ZL3CW, Dave K3EL, Steve W1SRD, Ricardo PY2PT, Gene K5GS, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR, Walt N6XG, Rob N7QT, Glenn KE4KY, Chris N6WM, Arliss W7XU, Philippe FO4BM, Dave WD5COV and Andreas N6NU. Joining the team will be a scientist from the University of French Polynesia who will conduct studies while on the island. <https://clip.pdxq.net/>

Norfolk Island, VK9N



FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Look for TX6D (DL7DF, DK1BT, DL4WK, DL6SAK, DL7BO and DL7UFR) from Tahiti between October 2 and October 15. Activity from 160 to 10 meter (60 meter also) using CW, SSB and digi. <http://www.dl7df.de/fo/>

FO/M MARQUESAS ISL A large team with F6BCW, F6EEQ, F6FMC, F6HBI, F5VHQ, F5JRX, F5LRL, F4ISZ and F1MNQ will be active as TX7L from Hiva Oa Island during November 4-19. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT4/8 and RTTY with 4 stations. QSL via F6EXV or Club Log OQRS.

FT/G GLORIOSO ISL Mark, FH4VVK will be active from Grande Glorieuse, Glorioso Islands as FT4GL later this year. DX-World is aware of the dates but this info will first be released at FHN, Ham Radio, Germany at the end of June. Support team: F5IRO, F8CRS, F5RQQ. QSL via F4FTV. Check QRZ.com for further updates. A website is under construction.

FT/X, KERGUELEN It's apparently no secret (well, it was to us!) that Thierry F6CUK

of FT8WW fame plans (emphasis on plans) to go with a second operator to the Kerguelen Islands in late 2024. No exact dates or further info is known, but this news was also announced from the stage at the GDXF forum, FHN 2023. Wait and see for more..

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Chris, VO1CH updates DX-World that due to Covid-19, the TO5T DXpedition to St Pierre & Miquelon has been postponed sometime in 2023. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. <http://www.to5t.com/>

FS, ST MARTIN The next TO9W will take place from November 26 until December 8. The 2023 team includes K9NU, N9EP, FS4WBS, W9AP and K9EL. Operation on all bands and all modes with focus on low bands and CW. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. Real-time upload via Club Log, LoTW or via W9ILY direct. <https://www.k9el.com/TO9W/TO9W.htm>

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA Tom, KH0/KC0W informs: due to Covid this trip will be postponed. As soon the situation changes Tom will let us know when he departs Saipan.

H4, SOLOMON ISL A team of Washington State amateur radio operators will be active as H44WA in March 2024. More to follow. <http://www.h44wa.com/>

H40, TEMOTU The Intrepid DX Group has released their next DXpedition to Temotu Province as H40WA between October 26 and November 9. A team of 8 operators with Rob N7QT, Paul N6PSE, Sandro VE7NY, Jun OE1JUN/JH4RHF, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR and Arliss W7XU and Walt N6XG will do efforts on the low bands using CW, SSB and FT8. [Temotu 2023 DXpedition – Intrepid DX Group \(intrepid-dx.com\)](http://www.intrepid-dx.com)

On the scene...PJ5/PA4O and PJ5/PE6Q Sint Eustatius



KH8, SWAINS ISL The W8S DXpedition to Swains Island is now set to take place on October 4 - 17. The team (DJ9RR, DL2AMD, DL6JGN, KO8SCA, NG7M, PA2KW, PA3EWP, PA4WM, PA5X and PG5M) will operate CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY on all bands with six stations from two operating sites. "Due to Covid and the global economic situation, our costs have increased considerably compared to 2020", PA3EWP says. The total cost has increased to EUR 125,000, and donations will be gratefully accepted.

P4, ARUBA John, W2GD will once again be active as P40W between October 24 and October 30. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. Outside the contest focus on WARC bands and 160 CW. QSL via LoTW or N2MM.

PJ6, SABA PJ6DX callsign recently added to the QRZ.com database by Tom KH0/KC0W. This will be a CW DXpedition. More to follow.

PJ7, ST MAARTEN Gary, KC9EE will once again be QRV in 'holiday-style' between November 20-29 as PJ7EE. Activity on HF primarily on CW using a vertical antenna. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via LoTW.

S7, SEYCHELLES A team with G3WPH, G4IRN, G4PVM and GD4XUM will be active S79K during the CQWW DX CW contest (November 25-26). Outside contest active as S79/homecalls.

T2, TUVALU The German DXpedition Team will be operating as T2C between October 10 and October 30. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL4SVA and LoTW. <https://t2c.mydx.de/>

T8, PALAU Yoshi JR3QFB (T88JH), Miyo JO3LVG (T88MK) and Hiro JM1LIG (T88FM) will be active from the Palau Radio Club / Shack during September 12 and September 18. QRV on HF bands using various modes. QSL via homecalls.

V4, ST KITTS Once again, V47JA will be operating between August 28 and September 12.

Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB. QSL via W5JON direct or LoTW.

V6, MICRONESIA Miki, JJ2CJB will be operating as V63CB during the CQWW SSB contest (Oct 28-29). QSL via home call direct or LoTW.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL Chris, GM3WOJ and Keith, GM4YXI (both previously A35V, V6Z, VK9CZ, ZK2V) will be active from Christmas Island as VK9XGM during November 21 to December 5, 2023. Two stations active on SSB/CW. Also one station active on FT8 or FT4. Multi-two entry in the CQWW CW Contest 2023.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Dave, W9DR will be active as VP2V/call from Anegada Isl sometime June 2024. Operation on 6 meter only using FT8, CW and SSB. QSL via QRZ.com information.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Dario, KP4DO will be operating from Tortola as VP2V/call. Dates not yet mentioned. More to follow.

YJ, VANUATU A team with NC7M (YJ0TT), K6VHF (YJ0NA), W6UC (YJ0UC) and NG7E (YJ0ET) will be QRV from Port Vila from October 26 until November 3. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi + 23cm EME. <https://www.dxobsessed.org/>

YJ, VANUATU A team with N4VGE as team leader will be active for 2 weeks in October 2024. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and digi with an entry in the ARRL 10m contest on December 14-15.

YN, NICARAGUA Robert, DL7VOA will be QRV from Guacalito de la Isla as YN5AO. Dates are still in planning phase due to COVID. Operation in 'holiday-style' with a focus on the low bands. QSL via Club Log OQRS. <https://www.qrz.com/db/YN5AO>

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN After a short break, Diya YI1DZ will again be active from South Sudan as Z81D starting mid-July. QRV on FT8. QSL via OM3JW.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISL Jacek, SP5EAQ is planning an one man operation as ZL7/call starting on October 20 for 2 weeks. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB only. Jacek mentions that any support from organizations and individuals would be greatly appreciated as travel costs have reached an exorbitant level. He also asks you direct any questions to his email address listed on QRZ.com. The QTH in Waitangi (ZL7) has already been secured.



IOTA

THE NEWCOMERS

AFRICA

AF-005 Santiago Isl Harald, DF2WO will again be active from Praia, Santiago Island, AF-005 as D44TWO during September 2-17, 2023. QRV on 160-6m; CW, SSB, FT8 & QO-100 SAT.

EUROPE

EU-012 Fair Isle Col MM0NDX and Jonathan MM0OKG will be active as MS0INT/P during August 25-28. This will be a lightweight DXpedition due to flight baggage restrictions. Last activated in

2015. With a population of just 55 people, Fair Isle is Britain's most remote inhabited island. Marooned halfway between the Shetland and Orkney archipelagos, this tiny dot of an island is often not shown on maps.

EU-032 Oleron Isl Larry F6FVY and Alain F6BFH will be active as TM5OL during the RSGB IOTA Contest (29-30 July). QSL via F6AJA.

EU-038 Texel Isl Marco DJ4MH, Chris DK2CL, Kolja DK5KK, Zik DK8ZZ and Wil PE3T will be active as PE55TEX during the IOTA contest. QSL confirmed automatically via bureau and LoTW.

OCEANIA

OC-011 Chuuk Isl A team with DL2AWG, DK2AMM, DL2AMD and DF4GV will be active from Chuuk Isl OC-011 as V6EU between November 15 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter with perhaps 60 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL2AWG, Club Log, LoTW.

OC-155 Polap Atoll

OC-299 Satawal Atoll

By Cezar VE3LYC: *'Following my return from Fiji (OC-189), I re-engaged with my contact in FSM regarding the OC-155/299 project. Based on the results of our communication, I am happy to announce that we are now working to finalize the logistics of a trip to FSM coming October/November. Its detailed schedule will be announced on this website, in due course. Note that the original voyage included boat transportation from Chuuk to Yap and back, while the current plan is for separate boat transportation within Chuuk and Yap, respectively, and flying between the two FSM state capitals via Guam.'*

THE REMINDERS

ASIA

AS-039 Commander Isl A team with R7AA, UA7A, UA6EX and RM0F will be QRV as RI0Z between August 18 and September 3. QSL via Club Log OQRS or via R7AA.

<https://d Expedition.wixsite.com/ri0z/>

AS-062 Shikotan Isl Look for RI0FS by the Russian Robinson Club between August 9 and August 17. Last operation goes back in 2016. QSL via RN3RS. See their website for more details. https://www.rdx.org/RRC/club_e.htm

AS-107 Samet Isl E20AX/p has had to postpone the activation of Samet Island that was originally scheduled for 8-10 January 2022 because of the Omicron outbreak. A new date is yet to be set.

EUROPE

EU-066 Solovetsky Isl A team with RA1QY, R3XDA, RZ3EC, RU3EG, RU5D & UA3EDQ will be active as RI1OR between July 25 and July 29. Operation as R3RRC/1 also from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via RZ3EC.

EU-073 San Pietro Isl A team will be active as IJ7DX (IZ7AUH, IZ7LDC, IK7WDS, IW7DOL, IW7DMH, IU7EHF and IZ8EGM) during July 28-30 during the IOTA contest. Also QRV as IJ7SAT on QO-100, LEO and MEO. QSL via IZ7AUH, Club Log OQRS.

EU-083 Gallinara Isl A team will be active as IP1X (IU1JCZ, I1NVU, IK1CJO, IK1NEG and IK1QBT) during the IOTA contest July 29-30. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via IU1JCZ, Club Log OQRS.

EU-137 Ven Isl A Danish team will be QRV as SM7/OZ5BAL during July 28-30. An entry in the IOTA contest is included. QSL via OZ0J, direct or bureau, Club Log.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-220 Maniitsoq Isl Joe, OZ0J will be operating between September 15 and September 21. Activity from 80 to 10 meter depending free space for antennas. Call is pending. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or home call.

OCEANIA

OC-129 Kalanggaman A team with DU7OK, DU7LEG, 4F7ETO, DV7LEQ, DW7PGZ and DW7FBH will be operating as DX7EVM/5 during the IOTA contest. QSL via QRZ.com information.

Lighthouse

FR-0014 Berck-sur-Mer DJ8EI, DL1DCT, DL8KR, DK5OPA, DL5KA and DJ5KX will be QRV under TM0BSM from the lighthouse in Berck-sur-Mer (France, FR-0014) from 16-21 August 2023. QSL via LotW. Beside QO-100 (CW/SSB) they will be also QRV on HF. Logs will be loaded on to QO-100 Club, Clublog & LOTW. No QSL Cards will be printed - Confirmation is only via LOTW.

On the scene...4W6RU Timor Leste



Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

HK, COLOMBIA Celebrating the 200th anniversary of the Colombian Navy (Armada de la Republica de Colombia) and the Battle of Lake Maracaibo (24 July 1823), several special call signs will be in use on 22-24 July: **5K0ARC, 5K1ARC, 5K2ARC, 5K3ARC, 5K4ARC, 5K5ARC, 5K6ARC, 5K7ARC, 5K8ARC, 5K9ARC; 5K0CB, 5K1CB, 5K2CB, 5K3CB, 5K4CB, 5K5CB, 5K6CB, 5K7CB, 5K8CB, 5K9CB; 5K0BG**. Look for activity on 80-10 metres CW, SSB, FT8, FT4. The event is organized by Liga Radio Bogota. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, qrz.com, Club Log, or via HK3LRB. (TNX 425DX)



THE REMINDERS

5H, TANZANIA **5H100TC** is the special callsign that TA1HZ, currently stationed in Tanzania and active as 5H8HZ, has been granted to use during 2023 in celebration of the 100th anniversary since the proclamation of the Republic of Turkey. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via M0OXO's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

9A, CROATIA The special event station **9A150TESLA**, in cooperation with the Croatian Amateur Radio society and the Nikola Tesla Experience Centre, celebrates the 150th anniversary of Tesla's high school education during July. QSL via bureau or direct via 9A7R. (TNX DXNL)

9A, CROATIA **9A66AA** is the special callsign that Tom, 9A2AA is using throughout 2023 to mark his 66th year in amateur radio. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES The national ham organisation EARS runs the special event station A60AP with additional designators /0 to /15 to mark their country's astronaut programme:

A60AP/0	Op. A61Y	QSL: EA7FTR
A60AP/1	Op. A61M	QSL: A61BK
A60AP/2	Op. A61Q	QSL: EA7FTR
A60AP/3	Op. A61FK	QSL: A61BK
A60AP/4	Op. A61BK	QSL: A61BK
A60AP/5	Op. A61DD	QSL: EA7FTR
A60AP/6	Op. A61QQ	QSL: A61BK
A60AP/7	Op. A61AY	QSL: DIRECT
A60AP/8	Op. A65GC	QSL: DIRECT
A60AP/9	Op. A61ZX	QSL: IZ8CLM
A60AP/10	Op. A65BR	QSL: DIRECT
A60AP/11	Op. A61NN	QSL: EA7FTR
A60AP/12	Op. A65GD	QSL: Direct
A60AP/13	Op. A65GJ	QSL: Direct
A60AP/14	Op. A61FJ	QSL: LZ1YE

A60AP/15 Op. A61DI QSL: EA7FTR

They remain active until the end of August. (TNX DXNL) For more information see:

https://www.mbrsc.ae/service/astronaut_prog/

DL, GERMANY Special event callsign **DM23BUGA** is active until October 8. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via DL2VFR. The suffix stands for "Bundesgartenschau", the biennial horticulture show and festival that this year will take place in Mannheim. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY DR45HAAN is the special callsign for DARC's Ortsverband Haan (R24) to celebrate their 45th anniversary until September 30. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via DL7ET. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY The DARC club V22 runs the special event station **DM775NB** (special DOK NB775) to mark the 775th anniversary of the city Neubrandenburg in 2023. QSL via bureau or direct to DM6RAC. (TNX DXNL)



DL, GERMANY Special callsign **DL0SOP** will be active on 1-31 July for the 65th edition of the Sea of Peace Award (see <https://dl0sop.darc.de/> for full details). QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, eQSL, or direct to DL4SVA. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY Celebrating "100 years of broadcasting in Germany", special callsign **DB100RDF** is in use during 2023. QSL via the bureau, or direct to DO2PZ. The first official radio entertainment programme in Germany was broadcast on 29 October 1923. (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE French special callsigns to be activated for this year's 110th edition of the Tour de France include **TM110TDF** on 14 - 23 July (QSL via F8GGZ) and TM33TDF on 8-9 July (QSL via F6KUQ). (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE Franck, F4DTO, and Patrick, F4GFE, mark the 350th anniversary of D'Artagnan's death with the callsign **TM350DA** until the end of September. An award is also available: Bronze = QSOs on 3 bands, Silver = QSOs on 4 bands, Gold = QSOs on 5 bands, Platinum = QSOs on 6 bands. For more information see qrz.com. QSL via F4GFE (d/B).

GU, GUERNSEY To mark the 19th Island Games, look for **GB5IG** from Friday 7th to Saturday 15th July, on 80 to 10m, SSB, FT8/FT4, and some satellite work, including QO-100. There may be some CW activity too. QSL will be via LoTW, or direct only to GU8ITE.

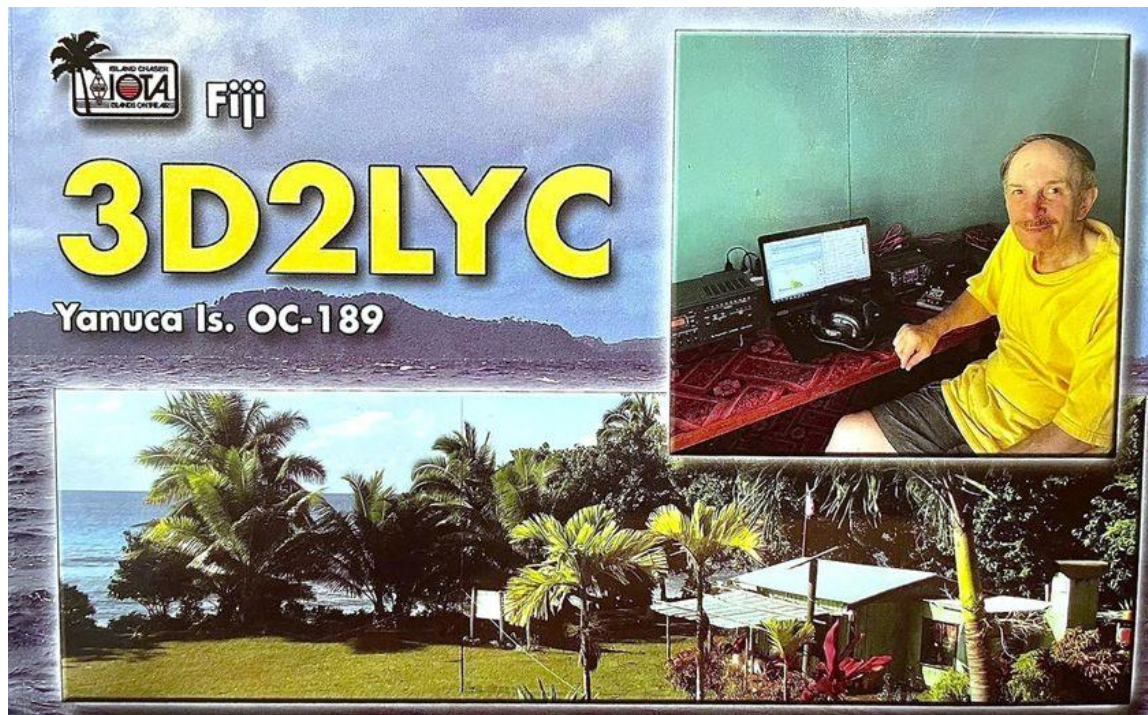
Once every two years, thousands of athletes from across the globe — from Scandinavia to the Mediterranean, the North Atlantic to the Caribbean and South Atlantic — come together to compete in the NatWest International Island Games. In 1985, as part of their Year of Sport, the Isle of Man set in motion an ambitious plan to bring together athletes from small islands across the world to take part in a new sporting festival dubbed the 'Inter-Island Games'.

700 sportsmen and women from 15 islands landed on Manx soil for what the UK national press called the 'Small Islands Mini Olympics'. Competitors hailed from the Faroe Islands and Scandinavia in the northern hemisphere, the British Isles, the Mediterranean and as far afield as

St Helena in the South Atlantic—a 5,000-mile trip.

HK, COLOMBIA The Liga Radio Bogota commemorate the bicentennial of the Naval Battle of Lake Maracaibo and the 90th anniversary of the foundation of the Colombian Radio Amateurs League. QRV on July 22-24 as **5K200** and **5K90**. Awards will be available. (thanks Javier HK3EA)

I, ITALY IL3P is a special callsign to be used between 1 July and 30 September from various locations in the Italian region of Veneto. On 28- 31 July team IL3P will be active from Pellestrina Island (EU-131), including participation in the IOTA Contest. QSL via IU3EDK, direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX)



I, ITALY The ARI section Fidenza (www.arifidenza.it) runs a "Marconi was here!" award programme throughout 2023 to mark important steps and locations in Marconi's career and in the development of wireless technology:

July: **II4SPZ**; LA SPEZIA: experiments with the Italian military Navy (1897)

August: **II4GAR**; GOLFO ARANCI (SS): Short Wave contact with Rocca di Papa (Rome) 1932)

September: **II4CGD**; CASTEL GANDOLFO (ROME): inauguration of the microwave full - duplex system with the Vatican (1933)

October: **II4SML**; S. MARGHERITA LIGURE (GE): microwave RTX experiments (1931)

November: **II4CLT**; COLTANO (PI): inauguration of the first Italian intercontinental radiotelegraphic station (1911)

December: **II4CDV**; CITTA' DEL VATICANO: inauguration of the Vatican radio station (1931)

For QSL information see qrz.com. An award, based on contacts with these stations, is also available. (TNX DXNL)

LA, NORWAY LA100K is the special callsign for the Akademisk Radioklubb, LA1K to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its foundation. Based in Trondheim, it is the oldest amateur radio club in Norway. The special callsign is in use during 2023. QSL via the bureau, or direct. (TNX 425DX)

LX, LUXEMBOURG LX90RTL is a special callsign celebrating the 90th anniversary since Radio Luxembourg made its first long wave broadcast. It will be used by various LX operators from 1 July until the end of the year. Look for activity on the HF bands SSB, CW and digital modes, as well as via satellite. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the DARC bureau; the logs will be uploaded to Club Log, LoTW and eQSL on a regular basis. (TNX 425DX)

LY, LITHUANIA Special callsigns **LY1933DG**, **LY90DG**, **LY90FLY**, **LY90SD** and **LY90SG** will be active on 1-31 July to commemorate the 90th anniversary of the ill-fated flight of Lithuanian pilots Steponas Darius and Stasys Girenas. On 15 July 1933 they attempted a nonstop flight from New York City to Kaunas in a small airplane named "Lituanica". After crossing the Atlantic Ocean, they crashed on 17 July when they were only 650 km short of their final destination. (TNX 425DX)

LZ, BULGARIA Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns during 2023 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ1015RW** (July and August), **LZ288MS** (September and October), and **LZ600PA** (November and December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2023 Award" can be found at

<https://www.lz1kcp.com/>. (TNX 425DX)

OE, AUSTRIA OE2XXM and **OE5XXM** will be active during July and September around the international autumn fieldday in Gosau. QSL via bureau. For more information see qrz.com. (TNX DXNL)

OE, AUSTRIA OE40XTU is the special callsign for OE1XTU, the Amateur Radio Club at TU Wien (the Vienna University of Technology), to celebrate its 40th anniversary during 2023. QSL via LoTW and eQSL (preferred), paper cards to be requested via Club Log's OQRS will be sent in early 2024. (TNX 425DX)

ON, BELGIUM **OQ95RCL** is the special callsign for Radio Club Leuven (ON4CP) to celebrate its 95th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, bureau, or direct to ON3AR. Free award is available see <https://hamlog.online/club/rcl/713> (TNX 425DX)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS The Scouting troop Thomas More in Prinsenbeek celebrates its 85th anniversary with the callsign PA85TP during 2023 and the Scouting Prinsenbeek Amateur Radio Club marks its 30th anniversary with the call **PA30SPARC**. An award for QSOs with these callsigns and PI9TP is also available from the Manager Edwin, PE5ENJ (pd5enj@msn.com). (TNX DXNL)

SM, SWEDEN 8S80AA is the special callsign for the Vasteras Radio Klubb, SK5AA to celebrate its 80th anniversary throughout 2023. More information can be found on <https://www.sk5aa.se/>. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), via the bureau to SK5AA, or direct to SM5FUG. (TNX 425DX)



A photograph of four men standing in a row in front of a brick house. They are all wearing light blue t-shirts with 'ZS92' in black and 'PENVOIR' in red below it. From left to right: the first man is balding with glasses and wears dark jeans; the second has dark hair and wears white pants; the third has a mustache and wears dark pants; the fourth has light hair and wears light blue jeans. A dark car is partially visible on the right.

SP, POLAND Special event stations **3Z90LOT, HF90LOT, SN90LOT, SO90LOT, SP90LOT** and **SQ90LOT** will be active on 1-31 July to commemorate the 90th anniversary of the ill-fated flight of the "Lituanica" (see LY above). See <https://logsp.pzk.org.pl/a/lituanica/> for the certificate and more information. (TNX 425DX)

TA, TURKEY Celebrating the 100th anniversary since the proclamation of the Republic of Turkey (29 October 1923), the Turkish Radio Amateurs Association (TRAC) will operate special callsigns **TC100**, **TC100TA**, **TC100TR** and **TC100YEAR** throughout 2023. (TNX 425DX)

UA, RUSSIA Celebrating the 30th anniversary of the Russian Robinson Club (R3RRC), several special callsigns are expected to be in use between 1 and 31 July: **R30RRC, RA30RR, RC30RR, RD30RR, RJ30RR, RK30RR, RL30RR, RM30RR, RN30RR, RO30RR, RT30RR, RU30RR, RV30RR, RW30RR, RX30RR, RZ30RR**. Other stations joining the celebrations include **DR30RRC, GB0RRC, HG30RRC, II9RRC, KH6RRC, KH8RRC, KL7RRC, LZ30RRC, OL30RRC and OM30RRC**. (TNX 425DX)

VE, CANADA VX7NA is the special callsign for the Nanaimo Amateur Radio Association to celebrate its 75th anniversary between 24 June and 24 July. Main activity will be during the ARRL Field Day (24-25 June) and RAC Canada Day Contest (1 July). NARA is based on Vancouver Island (NA-036). QSL via VE7NA. (TNX 425DX)

VE, CANADA The third Youth on the Air (YOTA) summer camp for young radio amateurs aged

15-25 in the Americas (<https://youthontheair.org/>) will be held on 16-21 July at Carleton University in Ottawa, Ontario. Campers will operate special event station **VE3YOTA** during breaks between sessions. In addition, there will be dedicated operating times on the HF bands (17 and 18 July between 23 and 3 UTC) and satellites, as well as for a POTA activation (see qrz.com for the details). QSL via LoTW, or W0AAE. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA VK100ZL celebrates the first trans-Tasmanian radio contact between New Zealand and Australia in 1923. QRV until the end of 2023. **ZL100** is active until July 25.

VK, AUSTRALIA VI100MB is the special callsign for the Manly-Warringah Radio Society (VK2MB) to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its formation. Look for activity until 25 February 2024. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA VI75G is the callsign for the Geelong Amateur Radio Club to celebrate its 75th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW and eQSL, or via VK3ATL (direct and bureau). (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA VI10VKFF is the special callsign celebrating the 10th anniversary of the World Wide Flora & Fauna (WWFF) programme in Australia (<https://www.wwffaustralia.com/>). It will be used from Australian Parks until end 2023. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via VK5PAS (direct or bureau). (TNX 425DX)

YU, SERBIA The Serbian Amateur Radio Union in the Vojvodina celebrates its 75th anniversary with the callsign **YU75SRV** throughout 2023. QSL via Club Log, eQSL, qrz.com.



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